## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH A B S T R A C T

A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department – Appointing the A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department as Nodal Agency and the Director General, A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services, Hyderabad as Nodal Officer to supervise the activities of Civil Defence setup in the State – Orders – Issued.

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### **HOME (PRISONS.A) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.MS.NO. 8 DATED: 08 -01-2010.

Read the following:-

1.G.O.Ms.No.151, Revenue (DM-III) Department, dated 13-02-2008.

2.G.O.Ms.No.108, Home (Prisons.A) Department, dated 28-05-2008.

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#### ORDER:

In the G.O.first read above, the Revenue (DM-III) Department, have issued orders, for constitution of four Sub-Committees to approve the State Plan in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the National Authority, and to approve the Disaster Management Plans prepared by the Departments of the State Government etc. It was also ordered therein to constitute a Sub-Committee on "Restructuring of Fire & Emergency Services Department" by nominating Members for the Sub-Committee, including Experts in the field, with the Minister for Home as Chairman, and the Principal Secretary to Government, Home Department, as Member/Convenor.

- 2. Accordingly, the Home (Prisons.A) Department, vide G.O. second read above have issued orders, constituting the Sub-Committee on "Restructuring of Fire and Emergency Services Department", under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Home, and the Sub-Committee has been requested to submit the recommendations to the Government, for taking further action in the matter.
- 3. The Sub-Committee at para 6.2 has observed that Government of India has constituted a High Power Committee on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2006 under the Chairmanship of Sri K.M. Singh, Member, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), to analyze the existing functions of the Civil Defence Organization and to suggest changes required to enlarge its role to include Disaster Management, along with its legal and financial requirements and fresh categorization of CD Towns based on the new criteria.
- 4. The High Power Committee has recommended that in addition to the role assigned under the Civil Defence Act, 1968, the Civil Defence is sought to be associated with Disaster Management. The High Power Committee has also recommended that the Civil Defence, Home Guards and Fire Services should be placed under the administrative and operational control of the State Level Management Agency. The Committee has also observed that integration of Fire Services in Civil Defence would ensure optimum utilization of the limited resources in the States and also better coordination between the three agencies in disaster response activities.

- 5. The Sub-Committee at para 6.2 (b) has recommended for implementation of High Power Committee Report of Sri K.M. Singh, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India on Revamping of Civil Defence and the subject Civil Defence and Disaster Management be entrusted to the A.P. Fire & Emergency Services Department which is re-named as (A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department) so that the funds are transferred to the Director General, A.P.State Disaster Response and Fire Services, Hyderabad, from the Revenue (Relief) Department, for discharging the functions of first responders in all disasters effectively.
- 6. Government after careful consideration, hereby appoint the A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department, as Nodal Agency and the Director General, A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services, Hyderabad, as Nodal Officer, to supervise the implementation/execution of various components of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Revamping of Civil Defence set up within the State and also to act as an effective link to interact with the Revamping Cell at the Government of India Level.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

# AJAY MISRA, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

Τo

The Director General.

A.P.State Disaster Response and Fire Services, Hyderabad.

The Deputy Controller, Civil Defence, Old Police Commissioner Office, Purana Haveli, Hyderabad.

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Ministry of Home Affairs, Directorate General of Civil Defence, East Block VII, Level-7, R.K.Puram, New Delhi, for information.

The Commissioner, Disaster Management and

Ex-Officio Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

The Finance (Exp.H&L) Department.

The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for (Home) SF/SC

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**SECTION OFFICER**